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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's Action dated June 5, 2002 setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response. This response is being filed on August 14, 2002, within the shorted statutory period.

Please amend the above-reference application without prejudice as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 5, insert: --Cross-Reference to Related Application. This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/228,726, filed August 27, 2000. --

Page 4, line 32, delete "220" and substitute -- 221 --.

Page 5, line 2, delete "23" and substitute -- 22 --.

Page 6, line 28, delete "84" and substitute -- 85 --.

Page 9, line 9, delete "73" (second occurrence) and substitute -- 70 --.